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CHAPTER 326

HOUSE BILL 2140

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Physical education pilot program; requirements

- A. The department of education shall establish a two-year physical education pilot program consisting of at least the following schools:
- 1. One school from a county with a population of more than six hundred thousand persons.
- 2. One school from a county with a population of six hundred thousand persons or less.
 - 3. One school that has a high percentage of students in poverty.
- B. The department of education shall establish application procedures and additional selection criteria for school district schools or charter schools that wish to apply for participation in the program. Grant applications shall contain a detailed analysis clearly indicating what is necessary for the school to participate in the program and how the money will be used to meet the necessary requirements of the program for two years. The department of education shall award grants from monies appropriated for this purpose to school district schools or charter schools that are selected to participate in the pilot program. School district schools or charter schools that are selected to participate in the pilot program shall include a curriculum with the following components:
- 1. Structured physical education totaling at least one hundred fifty minutes per week.
- 2. A structure for each physical education class that follows the centers for disease control guidelines that recommend moderate to vigorous physical activity for fifty per cent of classroom time.
- 3. At least one certified physical education teacher for every five hundred pupils.
- 4. An annual assessment that provides an evaluation of the pilot program participants' improvement in the current year compared to the previous year.
- 5. A person who is responsible for the pilot program oversight at the school district level or at the school site level and who serves as the contact person for reporting and monitoring by the department of education.
- C. Schools selected to participate in the pilot program shall ensure that every pupil who is enrolled in grades one through twelve participates in physical education, including pupils in special education programs unless the pupil's individualized education plan provides otherwise. Pupils shall participate in physical education for at least one hundred fifty minutes during each school week beginning in fiscal year 2006-2007 through fiscal year 2007-2008. The physical education required in this section may consist of a combination of physical education programs and additional physical activities, including healthy schools programs that are integrated into existing curricula. For the purposes of this subsection, "healthy schools programs" means both:

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- 1. Physical activity such as bodily movement of any type, including activity breaks in between subject matter breaks or after sixty minutes of instruction and motivation of pupils during lunch and recess periods and throughout the school day.
- 2. Additional physical activities such as physical activities that include healthy schools and wellness programs and that are integrated into existing curricula.
- D. School districts that participate in the pilot program shall annually report to the department the following information about the pilot program:
 - 1. The annual cost of the pilot program and budgeted expenditures.
- 2. The participation level of pupils, including the number of pupils who were exempted from the pilot program, the reasons for the exemptions and the actual amount of physical activity.
 - 3. The performance indicators adopted by the school.
- 4. The manner in which the school met the time and integration requirements in relationship to the regular adopted curriculum.
 - 5. An assessment of the community acceptance of the pilot program.
- E. The department of education shall use the data provided by schools that participate in the pilot program and submit a report on or before December 15, 2008 to the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives that summarizes the effectiveness and costs to the schools of the physical education pilot program required by this section. The department of education shall provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state and the director of the Arizona state library, archives and public records.
 - Sec. 2. Appropriation: department of education: exemption
- A. The sum of \$600,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2006-2007 to the department of education for grants to be distributed to schools that are selected to participate in the physical education pilot program established by this act.
- B. Of the monies appropriated pursuant to subsection A of this section, the department of education may use up to \$25,000 to provide technical assistance to schools that request assistance with applications for the grants distributed pursuant to this act.
- C. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations until June 30, 2008.
- D. The department of education shall request a separate line item appropriation for fiscal year 2007-2008 to fund the pilot program.
 - Sec. 3. Delayed repeal
 - This act is repealed from and after September 30, 2011.

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